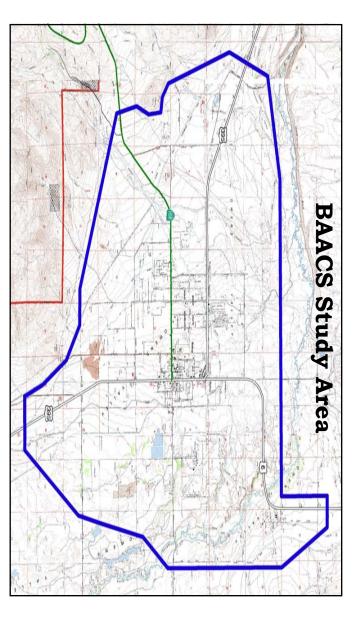
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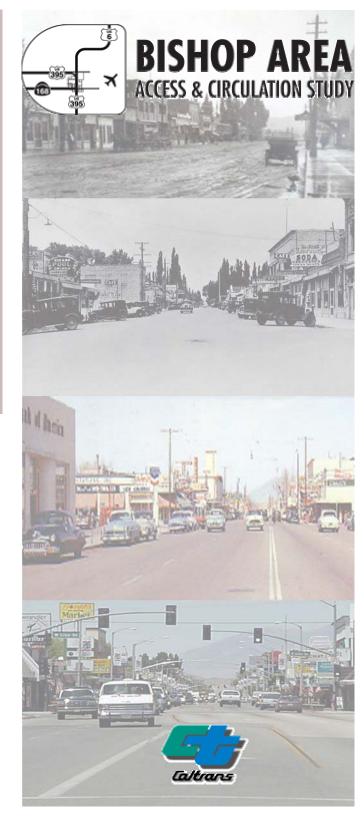






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Background

In 2002 the Inyo County Local Transportation Commission, with support from the City of Bishop and Inyo County, requested Caltrans take an in-depth look at possibilities for improving Bishop area circulation. Since the removal of on-street parking on Main Street in 1994, the perception of the volume of big-rig truck traffic has dramatically increased. Along with this issue has been the issue of poor truck access to the Bishop airport, and making downtown more desirable for tourists and livable for residents.

Public Participation

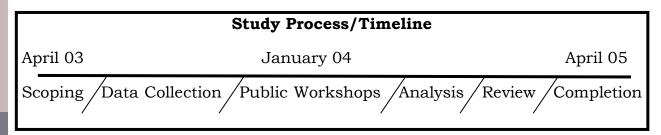
Caltrans and the project proponents are all dedicated to ensuring that this effort engages the public and key stakeholders throughout the process. This is in order to ensure consideration is given to the full array of community concerns and to assist in building consensus on the study.

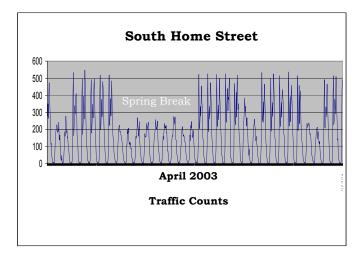
Study Goals

- Improve the circulation and safety for all modes of transportation in the downtown area.
- Accommodate commercial truck traffic for US 395 and US 6.
- Plan for downtown improvements (i.e. landscaping, parking, pedestrian facilities, etc.) along with the rerouting of truck traffic.
- Facilitate ground access improvements to the airport and its associated development improvements.
- In order to encourage potential downtown commerce visitation, keep services in Bishop visible for through traffic on any route and have easy on/off connections.

Expected Study Results

- Short-, mid-, and long-range solutions to safety and congestion concerns.
- Looking for *solutions*, not just alternate routes.
- Answers that may be a complex mix of circulation, routing, beautification, etc.





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